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SUBJECT: SALT: PETRIGNANI GROUP PAPER

REF: USNATO 2423

ON MAY 5, CIARRAPICO OF ITALIAN NATO DEL, ANDACTING ON BEHALF OF PETRIGNANI GROUP, SENT POLAD FORMAL VERSION OF PETRIGNANI GROUP PAPER WHICH HE HAD PROVIDED ON AN INFORMAL BASIS ON APRIL 29. TEXT IS IDENTICAL WITH VERSION REPORTED REFTEL AND CAME UNDER COVER OF A LETTER FROM CIARRAPICO (TEXT BELO) SETTING FORTH DUTCH RESERVATION ABOUT STATEMENT ON TECHNOLOGICAL CONSTRAINTS. TEXT TRANSMITTED REFTEL WAS ALSO PREFACED BY BRIEF INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT, TEXT OF WHICH ALSO FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT OF CIARRAPICO LETTER:

FOLLOWING OUR CONVERSATIONS, PLEASE FIND HEREWITH ENCLOSED THE INFORMAL DOCUMENT ON CERTAIN ASPECTS OF SALT WHICH WAS ELABORATED BY AN EUROPEAN GROUP OF EXPERTS, INCLUDING THOSE OF BELGIUM, GERMANY, LUXEMBOURG, NETHERLAND, UNITED KINGDOM AND ITALY.

I TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO INFORM YOU THAT, ACCORDING TO A LETTER I RECEIVED FROM COLONEL VAN VALDEREN, THE  
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NETHERLAND GOVERNMENT DOES NOT AGREE ON THE THIRD SENTENCE IN THE DEFINITION PARAGRAPH READING "NOTHING IN THE AGREEMENT SHOULD CONSTRAIN THE AREA OF TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS, WHICH REMAINS A BASIS ASSET OF WESTERN SECURITY". MOREOVER, COLONEL

VAN VALDEREN HAS POINTED OUT THAT THE DOCUMENT REFLECTS THE  
VIEWS OF THE NETHERLAND EXPERTS AND NOT NECESSARILY THOSE  
OF THE NETHERLAND GOVERNMENT.

END TEXT.

BEGIN TEXT OF PREFACE TO PETRIGNANI GROUP PAPER (SENT REF A).

CONCLUSIONS OF EUROPEAN GROUP OF EXPERTS ON CERTAIN ASPECTS OF SALT-

1. FOLLOWING THE TABLING OF A DRAFT AGREEMENT IN GENEVA BY  
THE US, THE EUROPEAN GROUP OF EXPERTS RECOGNIZE THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS  
BETWEEN THE USA AND USSR ARE GATHERING MOMENTUM AND CONSIDER THAT  
AN INPUT ON THOSE ISSUES WHICH HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS PARTICULARLY  
SIGNIFICANT FOR EUROPEAN INTERESTS SHOULD BE MADE AS SOON AS  
POSSIBLE.

2. THE ATTACHED NOTE SETS OUT THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE GROUP OF  
EXPERTS ON THE ISSUES LISTED BELOW AND PROVIDES GUIDELINES  
TO BE FOLLOWED IN THE PRESENTATION OF THESE VIEWS:

NON-CENTRAL SYSTEMS (FBS)

DEFINITIONS OF WEAPON SYSTEMS

NO-TRANSFER

NON-CIRCUMVENTION

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